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R.A.F. DESTROYS 22 ENEMY PLANES IN MIDDLE-EAST

NAZIS CLAIM SOVIET VOLUNTEERS IN IRAQ

Only Three British Lost In Offensive

38,000 Italians Prepare To Be British Prisoners

Axis planes fail in raid on Suez Canal area.

CAIRO, May 18—(Monday)—(AP)—British terms for the surrender of the Italian troops of the Duke of Aosta trapped at Amba Alaja in northern Ethiopia have been given the Duke's emissaries. It was reported here early today.

Britain last month demanded unconditional surrender of the Duke—Viceroy of Ethiopia—but the terms now given at the request of the Duke were not immediately divulged.

(By Edward Kennedy, Associated Press Staff Writer)

CAIRO, May 18—(AP)—The Duke of Aosta, Italian viceroy in Ethiopia, has given up and has sent an emissary to seek terms of surrender for his force of 38,000 troops surrounded at Amba Alaja, main point of resistance in his stand in East Africa, British headquarters announced today.

The Italian commander withdrew his forces to the mountain stronghold, 280 miles northeast of Addis Ababa, after the fall of the capital. Coupled with this announcement, today's war bulletin said counter-attacking Australians at Tobruk had recaptured a number of strong-points in the outer defences of the beleaguered Libyan port, and took 25 German prisoners in the process.

It added that British mechanized patrols are continuing active in the Salum and Port Capuzzo areas along the Italian-Egyptian border. The statement that the Duke of Aosta was seeking terms of surrender for his forces at the 9,000-foot mountain fortress of Amba Alaja followed within less than a British demand for his unconditional surrender.

The Italians announced on April 23 that the Duke had turned down a demand for unconditional surrender.

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Inspector named For this Province

FREDERICTON, May 18—(CP)—Major Silas C. Wright, South Devon, and W. M. Kesson, North Devon, near here, have received word from Ottawa of their appointments as inspectors under the national unemployment insurance plan.

Major Wright is inspector of New Brunswick, with headquarters at Saint John, and Mr. Kesson is inspector for Prince Edward Island, with headquarters at Charlottetown. R. P. Hartley, K. C., Saint John, is maritime superintendent of the Dominion unemployment insurance commission.

"We Will Find A Way", Hull State Secretary says U. S. own interest tied up in seeing British get needed supplies.

WASHINGTON, May 18—(AP)—Declaring that a paramount purpose of the Axis is to obtain control of the seas for purposes of "world domination", State Secretary Cordell Hull asserted tonight that the United States' own defence and safety requires that we see to it that Great Britain receives adequate supplies for her successful resistance. And, he said in a broadcast address, "we will find a way."

The Secretary of state mentioned no method but he made clear his own view that whatever steps are necessary must be taken.

"Either the spread of lawlessness in the world must be brought to a halt," he said, "or we shall soon find ourselves surrounded by aggressors and compelled to fight, virtually alone and against great odds, for our own national existence."

He made a pronouncement on foreign policy and the first enunciation of principles which the administration feels should guide the world in the peace following the war.

Re - affirms Conservative Co - operation

Hanson Warns Will Not Tolerate Inefficiency In War Effort.

OTTAWA, May 18—(CP)—The Conservative Party will "continue, insofar as the war is concerned," to co-operate with the Government but "never shall we tolerate retrogression, inefficiency or half-heartedness" in the war effort, Conservative House Leader Hanson said Saturday night.

In the first of a series of talks by opposition leaders in the House of Commons to be broadcast over a national network of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, Mr. Hanson criticized Government policies and appealed for more active leadership from the administration.

"Prime Minister Mackenzie King, surely cannot fail to recognize that, as leader of a belligerent nation, his first duty is to give leadership," he said.

"He must initiate policy, take his place at the council table of the Empire, and have Canada's voice ring out in clear and unmistakable terms."

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News Briefs

MOSCOW, May 18—(AP)—Soviet Russia and the pro-Axis coup d'etat government of Iraq have resumed diplomatic, trade and consular relations, it was announced here Saturday and the Communist party organ Pravda tonight remarked that the Iraq picture "undoubtedly complicated the situation in the near east for Britain."

VICTORIA, May 18—(CP)—Finance Minister John Hart Saturday announced the one per cent wage tax on British Columbia incomes would be abolished June 30, 1941.

The following day July 1, increases in the Federal National Defence Tax go into effect.

NEW YORK, May 18—(CP)—Rudolf Hess' flight to Britain was described as a dramatic Nazi defeat by Ralph Inge, chief New York publisher and editor of the newspaper PM when he spoke in the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's "we have been there" series tonight.

BEIRUT, Lebanon, May 18—(AP)—The Iraq high command today claimed destruction of eight British planes in a raid on Cin El Debane airdrome 50 miles west of Baghdad, on the shores of Lake Habbaniyah, and the capture of British pilots with heavy Imperial losses in clashes on the western Iraq front.

(These claims were not confirmed in Cairo.)

Huge Fires In Cologne Follow British Bombing

Constant rain of bombs hurled on big German industrial center.

By Pat Usher Canadian Press Staff Writer

LONDON, May 18—(CP Cable)—The Air Ministry said today that British bombers, striking at Cologne Saturday night for the second consecutive raid on that centre of Nazi industry, hurled a "constant rain of bombs" on the city and left huge fires blazing among many buildings.

(Berlin authorities acknowledged damage to power facilities, destruction of buildings and claimed many civilians in western Germany, particularly in Cologne, were killed and injured.)

Unfavorable weather failed to stop the strong force of aircraft flying against Cologne on Friday and Saturday nights, the Air Ministry news service said, and the raids were carried out "successfully."

"Reports by the crews show how concentrated and violent was the (Saturday night) attack," the news service said.

"They scarcely had begun to bomb before large fires sprang up to meet the constant rain of bombs. There was one particularly large fire in the city center."

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Entire crew Is saved

AN EAST COAST CANADIAN PORT, May 18—(CP)—Members of the crew of a British freighter reached here today reporting all the ship's complement had been saved when she was torpedoed off the coast of Ireland.

The men said they were in the boat only 20 minutes after their vessel was fatally damaged. They were picked up by another vessel, which landed them at another east coast Canadian port.

The ship, whose name was withheld, was bound for New York from Britain. It carried a large consignment of whiskey.

Many of the crew were Chinese.

Island Students Are successful At Mount A.

SACKVILLE, N. B., May 18—(CP)—Degrees and certificates to be presented to students of Mount Allison University at the annual convocation Tuesday number 101. Seventy-nine diplomas and certificates will be conferred at the closing exercises of the academy and commercial college, and 14 students will graduate from the schools for girls.

The list includes: Bachelor of Arts: Alden Douglas Leard, Bedouque, P. E. I.; Clara Jean Moore, Summerside; Ivan Lorne Bell, Carleton Place, P.E.I. Master of Arts: John Harold Hookin, B.A., Souris, P.E.I. Licentiate of Music: Helen Milliken, Charlottetown. Bachelor of Science: Ivan Lorne Bell, Carleton Place, P.E.I. Matriculation in Arts: Eric Walker, Jardine, Kensington, P.E.I.; William Alexander MacGregor, Mount Stewart, P.E.I. Secretarial Diploma: Ada Lewis Sackville, Summerside. Stenographic: Pauline Dixon Richards, Souris, P. E. I. School for girls: Joy Elizabeth Fraser, Charlottetown; Jeanette Louis MacQuarrie, Souris.

War—25 Years Ago Today

(By The Canadian Press) MAY 19, 1916—Small Russian cavalry force broke through from Persia to join British troops on the River Tigris; Gen. Sir G. Goring's troops captured Dujaila Redoubt near Kut-el-Amara. British gunners shelled German positions near Lens.

Rev. R. H. Stavert Passes in P. E. I. Hospital here

STAVERT, R. H., M.A., B.D., well known Presbyterian minister in this province, died yesterday morning in the Prince Edward Island Hospital following an illness of several months. He underwent an operation in January of this year and failed to make a recovery.

He was born at Wilmet Valley 67 years ago. His early education was received at the district school and later at Prince of Wales College, Charlottetown. Pursuing his studies, he attended Dalhousie University and later Pine Hill Divinity College.

Following his ordination as a Presbyterian minister, the deceased held several churches in New Brunswick. From Stanley, N. B., he came to Prince Edward Island about 22 years ago, assuming charge of the Hunter River, Brookfield and Hartsville churches. In 1935 he went to Wood Islands. He had charge of the church there and at Murray Harbour until a year ago when ill health forced him to resign.

Mr. Stavert then went to Wilmet Valley to live shortly after a fire destroyed his home and he moved to Kensington where he remained until entering the hospital.

The deceased was a very active member of the Sons of Temperance in this province and for several years was Grand Worthy Patriarch of the organization. He was also, at one time, moderator of the synod of Presbyterian Churches in the Maritime Provinces. This was in the year 1930-31.

Surviving are two sisters, May and Annie at Kensington and one brother, Erskine in Sydney, N. S.

The funeral will take place from Kensington Presbyterian Church at 2 p. m. (Standard Time) Tuesday, Interment North Bedouque Cemetery.

Accident victim Had brother In Charlottetown

STEWIACKE, N. S., May 18—(CP)—Stebbins Innis, 23, of Halifax, N. S., was killed and three others injured today when the automobile in which they were riding left the Halifax-Truro highway and crashed into a ditch two miles from here.

Barrie J. Munro of Three Brooks, N.S., driver of the car, George MacKay of Pictou, and Ballen Gollan Alden Grant of Scotch Hill east, fifth occupant of the machine, escaped uninjured.

Gollan suffered a possible fracture of his left arm and remained in hospital. Munro, who suffered fractured ribs and lacerations, and MacKay, who suffered a 10-inch scalp wound, were released from hospital tonight.

A broken tie-rod was believed to have caused the car to leave the highway.

Innis is survived by his father, Rod Innis, two sisters, Jean, Pictou, and Arabelle, Halifax, and two brothers, Clark, Charlottetown, and Charles, in Newfoundland.

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Allege Pilots, Technicians to Fight British

ISTANBUL, May 18—(AP)—German quarters claimed today that Russian "volunteers" already are in Iraq—despite previous Soviet denials—and expressed unconcealed satisfaction over the prospects of joint Russian-Axis intervention against Britain in the Middle Eastern battle for oil.

The Germans contended that among Soviet volunteers permitted by Moscow to go to Iraq were pilots to join the Iraq air force, already announced by the British command to have been augmented by Axis planes and technicians flown across French-ruled Syria.

(Tass, Soviet news and propaganda agency, last Friday branded as "fabrications" Iraq newspaper reports that Russian pilots were joining the Iraq air force. But on Saturday Russia exchanged notes with Iraq establishing diplomatic, trade and consular relations.)

Supporting Nazi suggestions that Russia might join Germany and

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Clarke Innis, employee of Harry A. MacDougall, Men's Clothing Store, City, is a brother of the accident victim. He left yesterday accompanied by his wife, for Pictou. The deceased was known in Charlottetown having visited here on several occasions. He planned on coming to the Island for a visit this summer.

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I GUESS THOSE APRIL SHOWERS WILL TAKE THE CREDIT FOR THESE DAISIES

TORONTO, May 18—(CP)—Minimum and maximum temperatures: Dawson 30 56, Victoria 44 56, Edmonton 46 64, Regina 57 72, Winnipeg 59 88, Toronto 37 69, Ottawa 36 66, Montreal 49 61, Quebec 41 52, Saint John 45 50, Halifax 42 62, Charlottetown 53 54

FORECAST Gulf, Bay Chaleur and North Shore: Strong winds or moderate gales; cloudy and cool; scattered showers at first. Tuesday, fair and cool.

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Synopsis: The weather has been fair and decidedly warm in Manitoba and somewhat cooler farther west. Fair weather with moderate temperature has prevailed in Ontario.

High tide today at 5.35 a.m. and 5.29 p.m. Sun sets this evening at 7.26 and rises tomorrow morning at 4.26.

New moon May 26, 1.18 a.m. Summertime tide, 18 minutes later than Charlottetown.

CAR FERRY SAILINGS Leaves Borden 9.35 A.M. 1.00 P.M. 4.45 P.M. Leaves Tormentine 11.00 A.M. 3.15 P.M. 6.20 P.M. daily except Sunday.